

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1997 - 0530 MDT  
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Large fire activity continued in the Northern Rockies. The Southern Area reported one new large fire. Minimal initial attack activity was reported elsewhere. Very high fire indices continue to be reported on several units in the Southern California, Western Great Basin and Northern Rockies Areas.

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

HUBBARD, Charles M. Russell NWR. This lightning fire is burning in Pinyon Juniper and grass approximately 95 miles northeast of Lewistown, MT. Higher humidities decreased fire activity yesterday morning.

TK, Southern Land Office, Montana State. The fire is burning in grass and scattered timber 35 miles east of Billings, MT. High winds quickly spread this fire, causing erratic fire behavior. Full containment was expected last night.

| INCIDENT | UNIT | ST | SIZE  | %   | EST  | TOTAL | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC | EST  | \$\$\$ |
|----------|------|----|-------|-----|------|-------|-----|-----|------|------|------|--------|
|          |      |    | CTN   | CTN | CTN  | PERS  |     |     |      | LOST | LOSS | C-T-D  |
| HUBBARD  | CMR  | MT | 800   | 50  | 9/18 | 88    | 4   | 4   | 0    | 0    | NR   | 30K    |
| TK       | MTS  | MT | 1,000 | 60  | 9/17 | NR    | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   | NR   | NR     |

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRE:

| INCIDENT        | UNIT | ST | SIZE  | %   | EST | TOTAL | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC | EST  | \$\$\$ |
|-----------------|------|----|-------|-----|-----|-------|-----|-----|------|------|------|--------|
|                 |      |    | CTN   | CTN | CTN | PERS  |     |     |      | LOST | LOSS | C-T-D  |
| KISATCHIE HILLS | KIF  | LA | 3,100 | 100 | --- | 32    | 1   | 0   | 1    | 0    | NR   | 100K   |

KIF = Kisatchie NF

OUTLOOK:

Montana will have scattered showers with snow possible above 6,000 feet. High temperatures will be 50's and 60's.

California will be partly cloudy and a little cooler with a few showers or thunderstorms over the mountains. There will be areas of coastal fog and low clouds. High temperatures will be in the mid 60's and 70's along the coast, 60's and 70's in the mountains, and 80's to 100 in the inland valleys and deserts.

A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN NEVADA FOR STRONG, GUSTY SOUTHWEST WINDS ASSOCIATED WITH A COLD FRONT. Nevada will be partly cloudy and cooler with a few showers in the north. Southern Nevada will be mostly cloudy and windy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the 60's to lower 70's in the north and upper 80's to 90's in the south. Winds will be 15-25 MPH, gusting to 35 MPH.

Utah will be cooler with scattered showers and thunderstorms. High temperatures will range from 60's to 70's in the north and low 80's in the south.

| FIRES: Yesterday |     |     |     |     |        |      |       |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|------|-------|
| AREA             | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | STATES | USFS | TOTAL |
| ALASKA           |     |     |     |     |        |      | NR    |
| NORTHWEST        |     |     |     |     | 1      |      | 1     |
| CA-NORTH         |     |     |     |     | 7      |      | 7     |
| CA-SOUTH         |     |     |     | 14  | 21     |      | 35    |
| NORTHERN         | 3   | 1   |     |     | 1      |      | 5     |
| GB-EAST          |     | 1   |     |     |        | 2    | 3     |
| GB-WEST          |     | 2   |     |     |        |      | 2     |
| SOUTHWEST        |     |     |     | 1   |        |      | 1     |
| ROCKY MTN        |     |     |     |     |        | 2    | 2     |
| EASTERN          |     |     |     |     |        |      | 0     |
| SOUTHERN         |     |     |     |     | 80     | 4    | 84    |
| USA              | 3   | 4   | 0   | 15  | 110    | 8    | 140   |

| ACRES BURNED: Yesterday |     |     |     |     |        |      |       |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|------|-------|
| AREA                    | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | STATES | USFS | TOTAL |
| ALASKA                  |     |     |     |     |        |      | NR    |
| NORTHWEST               |     |     |     |     |        |      | 0     |
| CA-NORTH                |     |     |     |     | 7      |      | 7     |
| CA-SOUTH                |     |     |     |     |        |      | 0     |
| NORTHERN                | 12  | 125 |     |     | 1,000  |      | 1,137 |
| GB-EAST                 |     | 0   |     |     |        | 0    | 0     |
| GB-WEST                 |     | 57  |     |     |        |      | 57    |
| SOUTHWEST               |     |     |     |     |        |      | 0     |
| ROCKY MTN               |     |     |     |     |        | 41   | 41    |
| EASTERN                 |     |     |     |     |        |      | 0     |
| SOUTHERN                |     |     |     |     | 456    | 190  | 646   |
| USA                     | 12  | 182 | 0   | 0   | 1,463  | 231  | 1,888 |

| RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources |       |      |         |      |          |      |         |      |          |      |
|--------------------------------------|-------|------|---------|------|----------|------|---------|------|----------|------|
| AREA                                 | CREWS |      | ENGINES |      | HELICOP. |      | AIRTNK. |      | OVERHEAD |      |
|                                      | FED   | ST/O | FED     | ST/O | FED      | ST/O | FED     | ST/O | FED      | ST/O |
| ALASKA                               |       |      |         |      |          |      |         |      |          |      |
| NORTHWEST                            |       |      |         |      | 1        |      |         |      |          |      |
| CA-NORTH                             |       |      |         |      |          | 1    |         |      |          |      |
| CA-SOUTH                             |       |      |         |      |          |      |         |      |          |      |
| NORTHERN                             | 4     |      | 4       |      |          |      |         |      |          |      |
| GB-EAST                              |       |      | 1       |      |          |      |         |      |          |      |
| GB-WEST                              |       | 1    | 9       |      |          |      |         |      | 3        |      |
| SOUTHWEST                            |       |      | 12      |      |          |      |         |      |          |      |
| ROCKY MTN                            |       |      | 2       |      |          |      |         |      |          |      |
| EASTERN                              |       |      |         |      |          |      |         |      |          |      |
| SOUTHERN                             | 1     |      |         |      | 1        |      |         |      | 10       |      |
| USA                                  | 5     | 1    | 28      | 0    | 2        | 1    | 0       | 0    | 13       | 0    |

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES  
 ST/O = STATE OR OTHER RESOURCES  
 NR = NO REPORT

FIRES: Year to date

| AREA            | BIA   | BLM   | FWS | NPS | STATES | USFS  | TOTAL  |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-----|-----|--------|-------|--------|
| ALASKA          | 6     | 86    | 52  | 14  | 530    | 11    | 699    |
| NORTHWEST       | 194   | 321   | 20  | 92  | 1,048  | 999   | 2,674  |
| CA-NORTH        | 78    | 62    | 1   | 18  | 2,320  | 775   | 3,254  |
| CA-SOUTH        | 44    | 330   | 3   | 50  | 3,346  | 806   | 4,579  |
| NORTHERN        | 472   | 33    | 30  | 27  | 348    | 584   | 1,494  |
| GB-EAST         | 26    | 484   |     | 13  | 297    | 542   | 1,362  |
| GB-WEST         |       | 373   |     | 17  | 71     | 183   | 644    |
| SOUTHWEST       | 790   | 177   | 18  | 82  | 810    | 1,635 | 3,512  |
| ROCKY MTN       | 484   | 380   | 16  | 29  | 756    | 352   | 2,017  |
| EASTERN         | 550   |       |     | 34  | 9,916  | 400   | 10,900 |
| SOUTHERN        | 4     |       | 99  | 56  | 21,178 | 663   | 22,000 |
| USA             | 2,648 | 2,246 | 239 | 432 | 40,620 | 6,950 | 53,135 |
| 10 YEAR AVERAGE |       |       |     |     |        |       | 62,763 |

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

| AREA            | BIA    | BLM     | FWS     | NPS    | STATES  | USFS    | TOTAL     |
|-----------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|
| ALASKA          | 28     | 833,991 | 761,110 | 19,670 | 295,526 | 32      | 1,910,357 |
| NORTHWEST       | 977    | 20,728  | 6,573   | 375    | 5,122   | 5,179   | 38,954    |
| CA-NORTH        | 106    | 571     | 30      | 2,316  | 6,652   | 1,371   | 11,046    |
| CA-SOUTH        | 575    | 13,303  | 2,419   | 54     | 32,019  | 92,411  | 140,781   |
| NORTHERN        | 3,693  | 507     | 2,092   | 6      | 2,428   | 723     | 9,449     |
| GB-EAST         | 24     | 43,411  |         | 42     | 10,008  | 4,320   | 57,805    |
| GB-WEST         |        | 37,162  |         | 2      | 418     | 4,831   | 42,413    |
| SOUTHWEST       | 4,444  | 4,590   | 1,778   | 1,848  | 123,335 | 13,908  | 149,903   |
| ROCKY MTN       | 4,281  | 8,049   | 151     | 1,393  | 24,321  | 1,791   | 39,986    |
| EASTERN         | 3,191  |         |         | 120    | 47,056  | 5,226   | 55,593    |
| SOUTHERN        | 12     |         | 10,728  | 2,110  | 252,231 | 32,296  | 297,377   |
| USA             | 17,331 | 962,312 | 784,881 | 27,936 | 799,116 | 162,088 | 2,753,664 |
| 10 YEAR AVERAGE |        |         |         |        |         |         | 2,841,620 |

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

| PROVINCES            | YESTERDAY | YEAR TO DATE |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| BRITISH COLUMBIA     | *         | 1,075 2,446  |
| YUKON TERRITORY      | *         | 107 10,127   |
| ALBERTA              | *         | 405 818      |
| NORTHWEST TERRITORY  | *         | 102 46,113   |
| SASKATCHEWAN         | *         | 476 3,867    |
| MANITOBA             | *         | 362 33,799   |
| ONTARIO              | *         | 1,522 29,602 |
| QUEBEC               | *         | 810 364,934  |
| NEWFOUNDLAND         | *         | 109 9,473    |
| NEW BRUNSWICK        | *         | 306 131      |
| NOVA SCOTIA          | *         | 324 522      |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | *         | 32 93        |
| NATIONAL PARKS       | *         | 51 298       |

|        |  |   |  |   |  |       |  |         |  |
|--------|--|---|--|---|--|-------|--|---------|--|
| TOTALS |  | 0 |  | 0 |  | 5,681 |  | 502,223 |  |
|--------|--|---|--|---|--|-------|--|---------|--|

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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